



CROOK AND WILLINGTON
URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

I N T E R I M R E P O R T

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

for the

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER, 31st, 1940.

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To the Chairman and Members of the Crook and
Willington Urban District Council.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Ministry of Health Circular No. 2314 of March, 26th.
states that the annual report of the Medical Officer of Health
for 1940 is to be prepared on the lines indicated in Circular
No. 2067 dated 19th July, 1940.

That circular stated that interim reports only should be
made and that they should be confined to essential and urgent
matters which have affected public health during the year. In
view of this, therefore, I am only able to submit this interim
report for the year ended 1940.

Apart from an epidemic of measles which was not of a serious
character the health of the neighbourhood continued to be good
during the whole of 1940.

I wish to thank all the Council Officials for their help,
and especially Mr. Omand, Mr. Ayton and Mr. Cummings. I also
wish to thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen, for your continued
interest and encouragement.

I have the honour to be, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

FENWICK LISHMAN.

Medical Officer of Health.

I give the number of infectious disease notifications during the year from which it will be noted that there have been no serious outbreaks of infectious diseases.

Disease.	INFECTIOUS DISEASES.		
	Total Cases notified.	Cases admitted to Hospital.	Total Deaths.
Scarlet Fever	80	80	0
Diphtheria	46	46	0
Measles	826	0	2
Whooping Cough	121	0	0
Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis	5	5	1
Pneumonia	45	0	14
Erysipelas	10	0	0
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1	0	0
Puerperal Pyrexia	3	0	0
Encephalitis Lethargica	1	0	0

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during the year 1940.

The following table gives the incidence of Notifiable Diseases during the year.

Disease.	Under													Total
	1 yr.	2	3	4	5	10	15	20	35	45	65	85		
Scarlet Fever.	-	4	3	7	8	39	12	7	-	-	-	-	80	
Diphtheria.	1	-	-	-	20	8	9	5	1	2	-	-	46	
Measles.	29	74	88	97	95	379	47	15	2	-	-	-	826	
Whooping Cough.	13	6	16	14	15	53	3	-	1	-	-	-	121	
Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	5	
Pneumonia.	2	8	3	2	2	2	2	-	4	13	3	-	45	
Erysipelas.	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	4	1	-	10	
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	
Encephalitis Lethargica	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	

VITAL STATISTICS.

Live Births.

	Total	Males	Females.
Legitimate	390	213	177
Illegitimate	14	5	9

Birth-rate per 1,000 of estimated resident population 14.76

Still Births.

	Total	Males	Females.
Legitimate	18	10	8
Illegitimate	1	1	0

Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) - 15.46

Deaths.

	Total	Males	Females.
	400	220	180

Death-rate per 1,000 of estimated resident population 14.61

Deaths from Puerperal Causes

Deaths rate per 1,000 total
(live and still births)

Puerperal Sepsis.	0	0
Other Puerperal Causes	<u>1</u>	.04
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Death-rate of Infants under one year of age

All infants per 1,000 live births	.99
Legitimate Infants per 1,000 live births	.95
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 live births	.04

Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	46
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	2
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)	0
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years)	2

CAUSES OF DEATH.

	Males	Females
All Causes	220	180
Diabetes	0	3
Intracranial Vascular Lesions	22	24
Heart Disease	58	49
Other Circulatory Diseases	11	8
Aneurysm	0	0
Bronchitis	11	14
Pneumonia (all forms)	10	4
Other Respiratory Diseases	1	4
Peptic Ulcer	5	0
Diarrhoea (under 2 years)	2	0
Appendicitis	1	0
Cirrhosis of the Liver	0	0
Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever	0	0
Measles	1	1
Scarlet Fever	0	0
Whooping Cough	0	0
Diphtheria	0	0
Influenza	4	4
Encephalitis Lethargica	0	0
Cerebro-Spinal Fever	1	0
Tuberculosis of the Respiratory System	9	6
Other forms of Tuberculosis	3	2
Syphilis	1	0
G.P.I. Tapes	0	0
Cancer	27	19
Other Liver Diseases	0	0
Other Digestive Diseases	2	7
Acute and Chronic Nephritis	7	5
Puerperal Sepsis	0	0
Congenital Debility, Premature Birth, etc.	10	8
Senility	0	0
Suicide	0	0
Other Violence	7	2
Other Defined Diseases	0	0
Ill-Defined Diseases	0	0
Diarrhoea (2 years and over)	0	0
Road Traffic Accidents	4	0
All other causes	23	19

TUBERCULOSIS.

New Cases and Mortality during 1940.

Age Periods.	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0 ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 ...	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
5 ...	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
15 ...	2	-	-	3	2	-	-	-
25 ...	-	5	1	2	1	2	1	-
35 ...	-	-	-	1	3	1	-	-
45 ...	4	2	1	-	1	2	1	-
55 ...	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	-
65 & up	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	-
Total	6	9	3	7	9	6	3	1

